

Church News.

FROM CONEMAUGH, PA.

Our protracted effort at this place closed on last evening May 26, with a communion service. About ninety communicants participated in the observance of the ordinances of the Lord's house. This was a very enjoyable feast and one to be long remembered by all present. The immediate result of our protracted effort was four accessions to the church, and the church revived. The number of additions seems to be small, but owing to circumstances we claim a victory. I rarely ever speak of opposition and bad weather, as a reason for not gathering greater numbers into the fold, but when opposition comes rolling in like a tidal wave upon the land, I am moved to make mention of it. We had in our town during the meeting, three lectures. One, on "The Dark Side Of Johnstown," by a lady. One magic lantern show. Four festivals. The above were by churches except two of the festivals, and could have been avoided, but that was not the idea. Sickness, death of an aged brother, house cleaning, and a music class, were things that came in the way that were unavoidable. When something worldly is gotten up to attract the attention of people, to keep them from hearing the Gospel alone doctrine, most assuredly their foundation is very shaky.

J. F. KOONTZ.

ONE BY ONE.

The "Gospel alone" banner was flung to the breeze in the county of Craig for the first time on the evening of the 25th, 30 miles north of Roanoke. For a year or more we have been earnestly solicited to go over there and proclaim the doctrines of the Brethren church, but various causes conspired to hinder us hitherto. A daughter of our progressive cousin, Mrs. Pauline Firestone, of Daleville, Boletourt Co., accompanied us. Three sermons were preached; one on Faith, one on Baptism and one on Feet Washing. The attendance at each service was great, and the interest manifested, special and profound.

At 4 o'clock on Sunday evening we met a large concourse of deeply interested people on the banks of Barbours creek, to witness the baptism of brother Lee Mc Cartway, a worthy representative of one of Craig's most influential families, and our cousin by marriage. It was, so far as I know, the first baptism by the Apostolic mode ever witnessed by a Craig audience, and the scene was a most impressive one. Into the beautiful, crystal stream the administrator and recipient descended, as

Philip and the Eunuch did in the far away time, and, upon profession of repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, he was baptized into the mystic body of the immaculate Son of God. The attendant people sang most impressively the hymn, "We are gathering home one by one." While memory lingers the sacred scene will be cherished as one among the most precious of the large store that 25 year's experience as an humble minister has enabled me to gather. We will return there in July to hold several meetings, and in the Autumn it is our wish to hold a series of successive meetings there. We learned that a large proportion of those people were yet within Satan's fold and we want to help them to happier relations. May "Our Father" help us.

D. C. MOOMAW.

Roanoke, Va., May 27.

FROM HIGHLAND, PA.

I rejoice that I can send you news from the Highland congregation. Brother Henry Wise began a meeting at our church on the evening of May 18, and closed on last Sunday evening. On Saturday evening, communion services were held, Brother Wise officiating. During the meeting the Word was preached with power. Although there were no accessions to the church, we feel that many good impressions have been made, and that there are some that are drawing near unto the kingdom. May we live trusting in the Lord and praying that precious and immortal souls may yet be brought into the fold. May God bless Brother Wise and the efforts he puts forth everywhere for the upbuilding of the cause, is my prayer. Yours in Christ.

May 28.

F. B. MCCULLOUGH.

FROM TWELVE MILE, IND.

Since our last report we have had a reelection of officers, with brother Bert Kline, president; C. E. Barnhart, vice president; J. L. Hoover, secretary; Clara Kelsey, treasurer; Charles Dalzell, marshal. Committee on program, brother I. E. Thomas, sister Emma Krider, Ada Reed, Clara Kelsey. Floralist committee, Sisters Dillman, Dalzell, Tyson. We are glad that our young president is doing so much to make our K. C. S. a success. We have consolidated our Junior and Senior classes. We hope and pray that it is for the best. Brother Swihart was with us on last Lord's day, and favored us with two very interesting sermons. We also held a Sabbath-school convention at our place in the afternoon, and had a large attendance. Our S. S. is in good working condition, with Brother Wilson superintendent. Good attendance.

CLARA KELSEY.

FROM FREEDOM, OHIO.

We are not asleep, as some may suppose. We are far away from our dear church, but we are doing some good for the cause of Christ. There are three here, who are willing to accept the Lord in the same way we do. I have been very sick this winter, but my trust was all in the Lord. I knew if it was the Lord's will, my faith would save me. My suffering was very great, but then I thought of how our Savior suffered, and was comforted. My Christian friends, I hope and pray to live closer to my Savior from day to day, and hope he will give me more strength and more wisdom from on high. I hope to hear from some others.

SISTER ANNIE BAIRD.

FROM GOSHEN, IND.

Thinking you would like to hear from this part of the field, would say that the Pleasant View class under the pastorate of brother I. N. Miller, is in good working order. At present we have a King's Children society, with thirty-seven members, and it is growing in interest; we hope and pray for its success. Last Saturday evening, May 18, we had our communion; there was quite a number present for such a bad night. There were some from Elkhart, Middlebury, and Dunlaps; fifty-one in all communed and some for the first time. It was very refreshing to sit with the Lord and his dear children, at his table, as one family, to remember his sufferings for us. But still our hearts were sad to think of one loved one that was missing, and that was my own darling Elsie, whom the dear Lord saw fit to call away in the bloom of youth. She was just sweet sixteen, and was sick only five days to our knowledge, but no tongue can tell her sufferings. She was ready and willing to go, and was a faithful member of the Brethren church for three years; she joined when brother J. M. Rittgers held a protracted meeting here. She was also organist, and her sweet life is sadly missed, but our loss is her eternal gain, so we can deeply sympathize with our editor, and his dear family in their sad affliction, and it makes heaven nearer and Christ dearer to us, and it causes us to look up, instead of down. My prayer is, that we may run this race with patience, always looking unto Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith. Would like to say, Elsie died on good Friday, and was buried on Easter Sunday, the day of all days to all of us. If it had not been for that glorious day, we should have had no hope of meeting our loved ones again. Oh! how it soothes our sorrows to know we shall meet again if we are only faithful. May the dear Lord bless his dear children everywhere is my earnest prayer.

MRS. MAGGIE S. SMITH.